

NEWS OF THE MORNING.

It is stated that a building has been rented on Wall street by the Nevada Bank of San Francisco for the establishment of a branch of that institution here, and that it is to be under the exclusive management of C. F. Christiansen, the present cashier, who will superintend a mining stock transfer agency.

The grounds of the new trial in the Anderson case were gone over Friday, they being: New evidence, a juror who was a minor, unfair trial, expression of opinion by a juror, Littlefield's absence, and the absence of other important witnesses.

Assemblyman Robert Ludgate of Amador county died Friday night. He was in his usual health during the day, and was at the committee meeting Friday night. When he went to his room he was taken suddenly ill, and died soon after.

In excavating for the East River bridge approach in Brooklyn, old English coins are found every day or two.

To prevent the Turks from firing on the fleet England was obliged to give assurances that it came for the protection of Turkish as well as British interests.

The passage of the Silver bill seems to have had no effect whatever on the Wall street market.

It is generally expected that Grand Duke Nicholas will enter Constantinople with a portion of his army, but will come as a guest and friend of the nation, with the consent of the Sultan.

The Silver bill passed the Senate by a vote of 48 to 21. The Senate was in session 17 hours. The Free Coinage clause was stricken out, and provision made to issue silver certificates. The amendments are not very important, but will have to be adopted by the House.

At a meeting of Trojan stockholders held in San Francisco Friday the following trustees were elected: Jas. J. Green, P. Connolly, M. J. McDonald, E. C. Morten, and John W. Rowe.

In the Maine House of Representatives yesterday a bill was reported to give equal political rights, irrespective of sex, and granting women the right to vote in municipal elections.

Matthew Dunnie has brought suit against J. C. Flood, for \$6,000 alleged to be due on a stock transaction. The stock was deposited in the Nevada Bank as security for money loaned, and plaintiff alleges that it was sold without due notice to him.

The Returning Board prosecutions are generally regarded as unfortunate, as reviving political agitation, but public opinion considers that government interference would be equally unfortunate, since it indicates a return to the old methods.

Ben. Wade is worse again.

The Senate has confirmed Benjamin F. Peixotto, of San Francisco, United States Consul at Lyons.

An epidemic of small-pox is raging at Richmond, Texas. Nine-tenths of the people of the town have left.

Peace negotiations are now practically interrupted, for since the appearance of the British men-of-war in the sea of Marmora the Turkish plenipotentiaries decline to complete the provisions of autonomy for Bulgaria.

"In this state of feeling, if we have to begin again," say the Russian officers, "nothing could save Constantinople from us, and we would not leave one stone upon another."

Although Austria has remonstrated against the occupation of Constantinople, she will not abandon her present attitude if the occupation is accomplished peacefully and with the consent of Turkey.

In the Russian camp the renewal of hostilities is discussed as much more probable than peace, and every measure is being adopted to conciliate the Russian advance.

The ship Otago, just arrived from the northern coast, reports that on February 6th, in latitude 4 deg. 10 min. north, longitude 125 deg. 31 min., she passed a vessel bottom up, which, from a portion of the name decipherable on the stern, is supposed to be the schooner Johanna M. Brock, running between this port and Humboldt Bay. No tidings have been obtained of the fate of the crew.

WHO WILL BE POPE?

There is a contest going on in the Catholic Church at Rome which is considered by many of much greater importance than President making among American politicians. The *Italia*, a leading Italian journal, says that a number of Cardinals are in constant conference with Cardinal Simeoni upon the arrangements to be made for the coming Conclave, and that those who had previously been considered advocates of the election of Cardinal Antonio Panabianco have now declared for Cardinal Pecci, who, until his nomination to the post of Cardinal Camerlingo, had always been believed to be a man of moderate views, but who now appears to be a leader among the Ultramontanes. Others are talking of Monaco la Valetta, at present Cardinal Vicar of Rome. This group is not desirous of making concessions, but is opposed to any violent resistance. Cardinal Nina, a man of talent and action, is also mentioned, and some few seem to wish for a foreigner, either Manning, Schwartzberg or Cullen. There is an old Italian proverb which is appropriate: "He who goes into the Conclave Pope comes out Cardinal still."

"Sonsbeim" revives all the memories of a sad Michigan tragedy when he asks about Thurston the dead balloonist. Thurston ascended from Adrian in October, 1858, on the occasion of a county fair. He was a nurseryman in the suburbs of Adrian at the time, and was accounted an experienced aeronaut. He was accompanied on his trip by W. D. Bannister, also a citizen of Adrian. They had a successful send-off, and came down a few miles away. As the man stepped off the basket, the net-work peeled off the balloon, and the airship started to rise. They both seized it, and while Bannister clutched the netting, Thurston grasped the silk, and was lifted off his feet. While thus hanging the neck of the balloon was wrapped around his legs and feet, and he was thus held and carried away. The hunt for his remains was maintained for weeks, and thousands of people were intensely interested. The next Spring his remains, watch, boots and other relics were found in a piece of woods in the town of Deerfield.

MUCH MONEY.—From the California State Treasurer we learn that there is in his vaults coin amounting to \$418,000 credited to the San Francisco Harbor Improvement Fund—money which is intended solely for the improvement of the harbor. We agree with the Sacramento *See* that at a time like the present when so many starving families are crying for bread and so many able men are anxious to work for a pittance, why not utilize this money for its legitimate object, instead of allowing it to remain idle in the vaults of the Treasury? Let a portion of it be taken for the needed improvements there now, and another portion for an examination and survey of the proposed canal for the drainage of the Sacramento valley, to be paid back again by the district benefitted.

MINNESOTA, Illinois, Wisconsin, Iowa and Missouri have all attempted, through legislative enactments, to regulate railroad freight and passenger rates within their respective boundaries. Massachusetts, Michigan, New Hampshire, Vermont and other States have exercised a general regulation over railroads without interfering with the rates charged. New York limits the rates for passenger fares. The great obstacle in the way of the regulation of rates or traffic by States arises from the fact that many of the railroads have lines which extend into two or more States, and therefore cannot be wholly reached by State laws.

EUROPE ALARMED.—It would seem as if the approach of the Russian troops to Constantinople and the forced passage of the British fleet through the Dardanelles has stirred all Europe. Germany, France, Austria, Italy and even little Greece, as well as Old Mother England, thereby have become excited at their seats of government; and advice, threatenings, military orders, notes of preparation for battle are flying, according to rumor, thick and fast all around the Old World horizon. The times look to be pregnant with war, but war may not come for all that.

MEXICO has a coast line of sea and gulf extending over three thousand miles. In a war with any maritime power it would be almost impossible for her to defend this vast extent of seaboard.

STATE NEWS.

Virginia City sleigh rides at a cost of \$5 an hour.

Elko raised \$101 75 to take a destitute family East.

There is a considerable increase of water in the Carson river.

Tybo has a mule with only one wing on its Cherubie head.

There are some 65 men employed at the Star mine in Cherry Creek.

The Sheriff of Tascara made a raid on an opium den and snatched seven heathens.

The annual election of the Sutro Tunnel Co. will be held in San Francisco, March 4th.

Hopes are still entertained that Justice and Alta will settle all disputes outside of the Courts.

When they want to clean out a burdy house in Tascara they throw in a handful of red pepper.

No snow has fallen in Mason Valley thus far this winter, although it has rained several times of late.

The population of Ruby Hill is on the increase. It has added 700 to its permanent residents since last August.

M. P. Freeman, the Elko banker, is mentioned for the Republican nomination for Senator from that county.

During the month of January 1,087,710 shares of stock were sold at the San Francisco Stock Exchange (Big) Board.

Winnemucca has a dramatic society. None of the actors rank lower than Edw. in Booth, or Forest, if the local press is to be believed.

A lost woman tried to commit suicide in Eureka on Wednesday by taking morphine, but a stomach pump postponed the business.

Henry M. Steele, who lived several years in Dayton and was well known in this part of Nevada, died of pneumonia at Tascara February 14.

The well-executed portraits of thirteen distinguished ex-Confederate Generals, in full uniform, are on exhibition in the Governor's office in Carson.

The Virginia *Chronicle*, which up to this time has maintained that Hobart would be the Republican nominee for Governor, now says that C. C. Batterman stands the best show.

The live stock in the western part of Nye county are suffering greatly and many have already died of starvation. Mr. Mitchell, of Reese River Valley, is said to be the heaviest loser.

Thomas Colligan was blown up in the Whitlatch hoisting works, Marshall canyon, by the explosion of a keg of powder which he was trying to open. He was severely burned about the face, hands and arms, but not seriously injured.

Three men gravely announce that "we, the citizens of Cherry Creek, will shoot the citizens of Ward, at 200 yards, without artificial rest, with open sights, from five to eight men, for from \$50 to \$100 to the man." Where are the officers?

The signs of the times at Washington are indications of a change in the spirit of the Administration. The President begins to think that conciliation cannot be successfully accomplished in the absence of a second party. The South will not conciliate only on terms of national supremacy. The persecution of General Anderson at New Orleans and the sectional and bitter opposition to West Point in the House, are irritating the President, and an entire change in his policy towards the South may be looked for immediately.

The President, upon recommendation of the Secretary of the Interior, Friday accepted the eighth section of the Southern Pacific Railroad of California, being forty-two miles, commencing 100 miles south of Goshen and running to a point where the company began to build southwestwardly towards Los Angeles, under the clause attached to the Texas Pacific Act. All the rest of its completed road in California had been previously accepted, and patents for railroad lands along this section will be issued without further delay.

By an exchange we see that a company has been formed to take the waters of the Little Truckee into Sierra Valley for irrigating purposes. The proposed ditch will have a capacity of 10,000 inches.

A RESOLUTION opposing a reduction of the army, in view of the present condition of the country, was defeated in the House Thursday by a large majority.

PREPARATIONS FOR WAR.

A bill was introduced in the House of Lords Friday night by Lord Cairns, growing out of the Franconia-Strathblyde disaster. It provides that British criminal jurisdiction shall extend three miles from shore.

In consequence of the orders from the Government for cast steel tubes for large ordnance the works at Sheffield have resumed on full time with an increased number of hands.

The Government has also ordered a large number of rifle barrels at Sheffield.

Some of the forges in Woolwich arsenal are going day and night.

The outer basin of the Woolwich dock-yard is being cleared so as to be ready to receive vessels requiring repair in an emergency.

The Admiral Superintendent at Malta has been ordered to report as to the vacant barrack accommodation, as it may become desirable to station reserve seamen at Malta ready to draft to the fleet as required.

At a recent spelling reform conference in London, Prof. Gladstone stated that it was found on comparing the progress made in education by English children with the progress made by children in some continental countries, where spelling is more simple, that the foreign children learn to read and spell with striking rapidity. If, for instance, the English language had a spelling as simple as the Italian, there would be a saving in the school life of every English child of 1,000 hours.

MEMORIAL HALL, at Harvard, is the eating place of about 700 students who bear the cost proportionately, paying an average of less than \$4 a week lately. The following is given as a specimen bill of fare for breakfast: beefsteak, 300 lbs.; pigs' feet, 50 lbs.; sweet potatoes, four bushels; white potatoes, two bushels; crushed wheat, 46 lbs.; hominy, 20 lbs.; 1,150 rolls; 15 gallons griddle-cake batter; coffee 6 lbs.; tea, 2 1/2 lbs.; milk, bread, butter ad libitum.

KING ALFONSO opened the session of the Cortes Friday, and presented the Queen to the representatives of the nation. In the course of his speech he stated that a treaty of commerce with the United States would be presented for approval. He thanked the army and navy for their exertions and the nation for its sacrifices, and trusted Cuba would be speedily pacified.

During the last few days official and private telegrams received leave no doubt that the Cuban insurgents, headed by their chiefs, are trying to arrange terms of peace all over the island. The Havana newspapers speak of proximate peace as sure, and it appears that only the exact terms remain to be decided upon, when they will be proclaimed by the government.

SEVERAL years since the Postoffice Department issued an order for all letter carriers to wear uniform of cadet gray. A short time since another order was issued to the effect that all train agents, transfer agents, and all other outsiders, should don a uniform of blue. There is no order of regulation affecting any other class of employees.

The committee of the Utah Legislature to whom was referred the recommendation in the Governor's message asking legislation against polygamy, report, claiming that polygamy is sustained by the Bible; that it is a divine ordinance, and that they cannot legislate against religious beliefs and practices.

The entrance of the British fleet into the Dardanelles, before the conclusion of an armistice, would have been answered, it is unhesitatingly said, by a Russian declaration of war, but whether such would now be the case is doubtful. A war with England would be very popular with the army, though the officers speak of it gravely as a terrible struggle.

GOLD was in all probability one of the earliest discovered metals. It was used by the Egyptians and other ancient nations for the same purposes as it is to-day. In Genesis, xiii., 2, Abraham is said to have been "rich in cattle, in silver and in gold." Its discovery is lost in the mists of antiquity.

LAND COMMISSIONER WILLIAMSON, at Washington, has given a decision affecting the ownership of a large and very valuable tract of land in the heart of the city of Chicago, which causes considerable excitement in that city.

A SERIOUS change in the aspect of Eastern affairs is reported. Since the appearance of the British fleet in the Sea of Marmora the Turks refuse to fulfill the armistice conditions, and the peace negotiations are practically broken off. The Turks are hurriedly preparing to defend Constantinople.

ALL competent critics of English literature agreed as to the four greatest English poets, but in attempting the fifth there is disagreement. The four supreme poets are Chaucer, Spenser, Shakespeare, Milton. For the fifth name the preponderance of opinion is in favor of Wordsworth.

SIXTY-FIVE of the eighty one lives lost at the Ashabula disaster have been paid for by the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railroad Company at a rate averaging \$5,000 apiece. The most expensive life cost the company \$9,000, and a newly married couple were appraised at only \$3,000.

SENATOR ANDERSON'S bill, introduced in the California Legislature, fixing the legal rate of interest at seven per cent., is thought by many to be a step in the right direction. We have not seen the text of the bill, but suppose it is a tub thrown to the laboring class.

It is believed at Silver City that the Bannocks are awaiting a favorable opportunity to make Southern Idaho as desolate as the Nez Perces did Northern Idaho. All their movements indicate an early outbreak.

Two large and heavy boxes of specimens of ores were shipped Friday evening through the office of Wells, Fargo & Co., of Reno, marked to the "care of John W. Mackay, Paris, France." They were for the Paris Exposition.

It was for years the custom for a young lady to wear her engagement ring on the fore-finger of the left hand, but nowadays many or most of them wear it on the third finger of the same hand, and, when married, use it as a guard for the wedding ring.

Forty Yale students officiated as Henry V.'s army when Kingold played in New Haven recently. Rather green in the business, they came out in corked mustaches and many wearing their eye-glasses.

England does not have universal suffrage. To be a voter, each man must have a certain income or pay a certain amount of rent. They vote by ballot.

RUSSIAN sailors and naval officers, to the number of 1,800, have arrived at Adrianople, to take possession of the Turkish fleet at Bosphorus.

Hostilities have been renewed in Thessaly. The Black Sea blockade has been raised. Many ships are going there for grain.

THE President has nominated Bayard Taylor Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to Germany.

BURN THE STUMPS.—Judge Curtis informs us that if a hole is bored into a large green or dry stump, four or five inches deep, filled with saltpetre and allowed to remain four or five weeks with the hole stopped up, so as to keep the wet out, the whole thing will burn completely up, if ignited, in a very short time. He has tried it in a number of cases, and says it works well. The saltpetre necessary to burn up a stump would cost about seven cents.—*Santa Cruz Courier*.

Trees and Plants.

Stephen Connor, of the Reno Nurseries, has 50,000 fruit, shade and ornamental trees and plants for sale, embracing every known variety, and warranted to be in first-class condition for transplanting. Will be sold at a very low rate.

REMOVAL NOTICE.—Osburn and Shoemaker, Druggists, inform their old patrons and the community generally, that they will on the 1st day of February, move into the building occupied by J. N. Jaquish, one door west of their present stand.

OSBURN & SHOEMAKER, wholesale and retail druggists, Commercial Row, Reno, (removed to one door west of their old stand) now offer everything in their line at the lowest possible rates—including paints, oils, varnishes and glassware, patent medicines, fancy and toilet articles, bird cages, lamps and lamp fixtures.

W. H. HOLMES, Tuner and Repairer of Pianos, Organs and Musical Instruments of all kinds. Satisfaction guaranteed. Two doors east of P. O.

YESTERDAY'S ARRIVALS.

DEPOT HOTEL.

W. R. CHAMBERLAIN, PROPRIETOR.
C. Freidrich, San Fran. do
L. H. Harris, Truckee do
J. L. Lader, do do
F. C. C. do do
A. Randolph, Belmont do
J. P. Powers, do do
R. O. Powers, do do
J. P. Powers, do do
J. W. Shibley, Italy Valley do

INTERNATIONAL HOTEL.

W. T. C. ELLIOTT, PROPRIETOR.
M. Harrison, Milford do
S. Dux, Sacramento do
S. A. Shields, Elko city do
W. D. Muehl, Reno do
W. Broad, Reno do
J. Gilbert, Long Valley do
J. C. Wood, Susanville do
D. Wood, do do
J. D. Healey, do do

ARCADE HOTEL.

DAVE McFARLAND, PROPRIETOR.
Chas. Mason, Canada do
P. Keith, do do
C. Melrose, do do
S. A. Hamilton, Verdi do
Wm. Merrill, do do
D. Brown, City do
J. M. Buckley, Truckee do
T. Hess, Virginia do
J. E. Chapman, New City do
W. Cohen, San Fran do
W. Welch, Elko do
O. Loukey, Virginia do

POLLARD HOUSE.

MARY WALL, PROPRIETRESS.
L. Wheat, City do
W. Thompson & f. Ranch, Mat. City do
Mrs. M. C. Lake, do do
J. Lake, do do
H. J. Doyen, San Fran do
A. B. Spriggs, Arkansas do
J. B. Dubels, Lexington do
J. T. Cross, S. V. do
J. L. Grover, Santa Cruz do
A. N. Stone, San Fran do
J. N. Patton, Santa Cruz do

LAKE HOUSE.

ED. VESSEY, PROPRIETOR.
A. S. Montrose, Franklin do
J. B. Vye, San Fran do
D. G. Vail, Delavan do
T. B. McCarty, San Fran do
Jas Flynn, Pyramid do
N. Chaplin, Sacto do
J. T. Cross, S. V. do
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Religious Services.

Divine services to-day at the Congregational Church, both morning and evening, Rev. A. Draheim officiating. Sunday School as usual.

At the Episcopal Church there will be divine service at 11 a. m. and 7 1/2 p. m. to-day Rev. Wm. Lucas officiating. Sunday school immediately after morning service. All are cordially invited to attend.

DIVINE services will be held in the M. E. Church to-day, at 11 a. m. and at 7 p. m., also Sabbath school at 1 1/2 p. m. Evening subject: "The Modern Boy." W. C. Gray, Pastor.

BAPTIST services will be held at the Baptist Church this Sabbath morning and evening at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., Rev. Mr. Arnold, pastor.

HOOLE & Co.'s Hair Tonic will prevent your hair from falling out, cleanse the scalp of dandruff, and renew its growth. It is a splendid hair dressing. Try it.

Hoole & Co.'s Mystic Balm will prevent or cure chapped hands or face—render them soft as velvet and white as snow. Warranted to cure or money returned.

Hoole & Co.'s Moth and Freckle Eradicator will beautify the complexion, remove freckles and moth spots—is a harmless and splendid compound for the toilet.

Prescriptions accurately compounded by a scientific Pharmacist—a graduate of twenty years practice—at the lowest rates.

HOOLE & Co.'s PHARMACY, Commercial Row.

MOVED! MOVED! MOVED!—The City Drug Store will now be found at Osburn & Shoemaker's old stand on Commercial Row, where we will be pleased to see all our old patrons and as many new ones as have any use for anything in our line. New drugs, and sold at bed rock prices.

MATHESON & McCLAR.

N. B. — Prescriptions carefully compounded day or night by a graduate of Pharmacy. You that are afflicted give us a call.

CHEAP HAY.—Parties desiring to purchase good hay will find it to their advantage to call upon Jno. Lacombe, corner of Second and Sierra streets, who has on hand a large quantity of the best timothy and alfalfa hay, which he will sell in quantities to suit, cheap for cash.

R. E. QUEEN, practical druggist and manufacturing chemist. All medicinal and toilet preparations made in my laboratory will be of first quality and sold at reasonable prices. Personal attention given to physicians' prescriptions.

THE National Gold medal was awarded to Bradley and Rolofson for the best Photographs in the United States, and the Vienna medal for the best in the world.

OSBURN & SHOEMAKER have for sale at their new store the most complete stock of picture frames, picture and cornice moulding ever offered in this market at prices to suit everybody.

PRESCRIPTIONS carefully compounded by a graduate of a College of Pharmacy at all hours of the day and night at rates to suit the times at the drug store of

OSBURN & SHOEMAKER.

NEW TO-DAY.

TAKE NOTICE.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT I, LANG LEE, have this day purchased the store recently owned by Quong Wong, Reno, Nevada, and I will not be held responsible for any bills of his contraction, either new or at any past time. LANG LEE.

Reno, Jan. 25, 1878-19.

